

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
CATFISH CREEK CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**

Thursday, April 12th, 2018

Meeting #03/2018

PRESENT:

Rick Cerna	Chairperson	Township of Malahide
Mark Tinlin	Vice-Chairperson	City of St. Thomas
Sally Martyn	Member	Municipality of Central Elgin
Arthur Oslach	Member	Town of Aylmer
David Mayberry	Member	Township of South - West Oxford

STAFF:

Kim Smale	General Manager / Secretary – Treasurer
Tony Difazio	Resource Planning Coordinator
Peter Dragunas	Water Management Technician
Dusty Underhill	Conservation Areas Supervisor
Tiffany Kalita - Guay	Program Support Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT:

Stan & Karen Jones	Lake Erie North Shore Landowners Association
Craig Bradford	Reporter, The Aylmer Express

WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Cerna welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at (10:00 a.m.).

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion # 33/2018 S. Martyn D. Mayberry CARRIED

THAT, the Agenda for the April 12th, 2018, Full Authority meeting be adopted as circulated.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

No one had a pecuniary interest to disclose at this time.

DISCLOSURE OF INTENTION TO AUDIO / VIDEO RECORD MEETING:

The Chairperson asked for disclosures of intentions to audio or video record the meeting. No one indicated any such intentions at this time.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Motion # 34/2018 A. Oslach D. Mayberry CARRIED

THAT, the Minutes of Full Authority meeting # 02/2018 (March 22, 2018), be accepted as circulated.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

No one reported any outstanding business to discuss from the previous Minutes.

PUBLIC / SPECIAL DELEGATIONS:

None

REPORTS:

Report FA 15/2018 – Monthly Staff Reports, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion # 35/2018 A. Oslach S. Martyn CARRIED

THAT, Staff Reports for the month March, 2018, be noted and filed.

Report FA 16/2018 – March Summary of Revenue and Expenditures, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion # 36/2018 D. Mayberry A. Oslach CARRIED

THAT, Report FA 16/2018, be noted and filed.

Report FA 17/2018 – Accounts Payable, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion # 37/2018 S. Martyn A. Oslach CARRIED

THAT, Accounts Payable totaling \$19,700.46, be approved for payment as presented in Report FA 17/2018.

Report FA 18/2018 – Approved Section 28 Regulation Applications, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion # 38/2018 D. Mayberry S. Martyn CARRIED

THAT, the Full Authority receive the staff approved Section 28 Regulation Applications Report FA 18/2018, as information.

Report FA 19/2018 – PGMN Partnership Agreement, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion # 39/2018 M. Tinlin A. Oslach CARRIED

THAT, the Full Authority endorse the new Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network Program Partnership Agreement attached to Report FA 19/2018.

Report FA 20/2018 – Canada – Ontario Lake Erie Action Plan , was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion # 40/2018 S. Martyn M. Tinlin CARRIED

THAT, Report FA 20/2018, be received as information at this time.

GENERAL MANAGER / SECRETARY - TREASURER'S REPORT:

a) Managed Forest Plan Approver's Workshop:

The General Manager / Secretary - Treasurer attended the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program Plan Approver's Workshop in Guelph on March 26th, 2018. Attendance is mandatory in order to maintain your certification as an active Managed Forest Plan Approver for the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

b) Enabling Accessibility in Communities Fund:

The CCCA has received a \$50,000.00 grant from Employment and Social Development Canada through the Enabling Accessibility in Communities Fund for the Springwater Community Room Accessibility Project. The proposed project will improve the accessibility and safety of an existing building to accommodate people with disabilities from the community.

c) Land Stewardship and Habitat Restoration Program:

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) has approved \$ 20,000.00 for the Catfish Creek Habitat Restoration Project through the above noted initiative. Seventy – one applications were received by MNRF with only 26 receiving funding.

d) Funding for Conservation Authorities:

On March 28th, the General Manager of Conservation Ontario participated in the Provincial's Budget Lock – up session that allows stakeholders the opportunity to have a sneak peek at the 2018 – 19 Provincial Budget prior to the Minister of Finance reading it at 4:00 pm that same day. She reported that there was no funding identified for Conservation Authorities despite the numerous advocacy efforts including participation in the pre – budget consultations, meetings with Ministers, MPP's, political and bureaucratic staff as well as a letter to the Premier on the heels of the floods in the Grand and Lower Thames watersheds.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

CHAIRPERSON’S / BOARD MEMBER’S REPORT:

Member Oslach noted that he had recently attended a presentation at the East Elgin Secondary School to help celebrate the Environmental Leadership Program winning the \$20,000.00 prize of the annual Superpower Your School contest funded by Staples.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS / NEW BUSINESS:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

a) Copied:

- None

b) Not Copied:

- Correspondence Register for March, 2018.

Motion # 41/2018 D. Mayberry S. Martyn CARRIED

THAT, the Correspondence Register for March, 2018, be noted and filed.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

There were no personnel, property, or legal matters to be discussed in the Committee of the Whole.

NEXT MEETING / ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting of the Catfish Creek Conservation Authority will be held on Thursday, May 10th, 2018, commencing at (10:00 a.m.).

Motion # 42/2018 S. Martyn M. Tinlin CARRIED

THAT, the Full Authority be adjourned at (10:34 a.m.).

General Manager / Secretary –Treasurer

Authority Chairperson